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New Columnist Seeks News of Kettlerites

By ROSEMARY WESTON
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Well, I'd like to say "Hi," and that I'm going to be your new Kettler Kapers reporter. So please let's have a lot of phone calls to get acquainted.

Elene Hardesty, Velma Lucas, and Milly Hines of Huber Ave.; Theresa Sifers and Helen Rick of Middlebrook Rd.; Thelma Setzer of Walnut Ave.; Bernice Hartley of 234th St., and Teo Cunningham of Reynosa Dr., all had a bang-up time, dressing up in their strange-looking costumes for the Catholic Daughters' Halloween party last Monday night. Milly Hines won a rubber ball for a prize.

Frank and Rosemary Weston of Huber Ave., received surprise guests from 'way back home in Detroit, Mich., last Monday night. They were her niece Pat and her brand new husband, Marine Pfc. Robert LaPorte, and his buddy, Pfc. Keith Wang. After spending two short days here, they left for El Toro and Long Beach, leaving Pat with her aunt until they find one of those "hard-to-find" apartments.

Helen and Ferd Rick of Middlebrook Rd., and the Harry Caseltons all went out and painted the town red to celebrate their anniversaries recently. After dining out, they made the rounds of several night clubs and floor shows in Los Angeles. They all agreed that they had a wonderful time as they sleepily bid each other good night.

Verna Brown, of Middlebrook Rd., believes in entertaining on a large scale when she recently gave a buffet supper in her home for the Torrance and Long Beach chapters of the American War Mothers. Everyone agreed it was one of the nicest suppers they had been to in a long time.

Kettler Knolls has just been ringing with all the Halloween parties and dances for the past two weeks. Jewell and Harold



EMPLOYEES LAUDED . . . Plant Manager H. W. Croeger of the American-Standard firm here congratulates employees on reaching 100 per cent in the plant's Community Chest campaign. Hearing the report from Croeger are (left to right) Raymond Coberly, president of Local 218, IBOP-AFL; William Kanatsky, William Ante, Lou Weigand, Bob Williams, and Walter Howells.

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Well, Jeffery Collin Wise is just three weeks old, but Grandma Olsen decided she wanted to see him while he's still brand new, so she came out from Detroit, Mich., to spend the winter with Jeffery and his brother and sister.

Helen and Ferd Rick of Middlebrook Rd. went to a barbecue dinner Saturday night at Ethel and Jack Forgie's on Ferri Ave. It was kind of chilly on the patio, but with all the gay talk and wonderful food, no one took any notice of the weather.

Frank and Rosemary Weston of Huber Ave. and their out-of-town guests Pat and Bob LaPorte, and Mary and Ray Snider of Seaside Heights, all attended the VFW dance in Wilmington on Halloween night. After dancing to their hearts' content they went to a drive-in to eat, and then home to a very welcome bed.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Johnson of Cabrillo Ave. know the way to keep their children happy to keep them busy and it seems to be paying off for them. To start with 11-year-old Marilyn is a wonderful tap and toe dancer, also an acrobat. She showed some of her wonderful talent at the Sister Kenny Foundation program in Monrovia last Friday night. And still being full of ambition the next day, she went to the Harbor Hills Auditorium and danced for all the children.

Also celebrating a birthday last week was Mary Andreoli, who has been busy with two to three children on her hands. It seems that they reacted so badly to the preventive shots in school with a temperature and a swollen arm, that they couldn't even go out trick-or-treating on Halloween night.

We had one more birthday last week, and that was Iris Duncan of Middlebrook Rd. First she celebrated by going to her mother's house in Culver City

Fifteen-year-old Jackie Johnson played his clarinet with the Symphonic Youth Orchestra under the direction of David Silver at the Earl Carroll Theater last Tuesday night.

Not to be outdone by his younger brother and sister, 18-year-old Thomas Johnson, a line-up of the El Camino College football team, won a shirt and a pair of shoes for being the "Lineman of the Week."

Birthday congratulations are in order for Gloria Hixson of Kathy Way, who celebrated it by going out to lunch at the Fish Shanty with Camille Heland of Middlebrook Rd., Dorothy Wainwright of Reynosa Dr., and Wilma Brown of Reynosa Dr. After their excellent luncheon they had a lovely time wandering through the beautiful Begonia Gardens.

Milly and Rich Hines of Huber Ave. celebrated their wedding anniversary by going to the Cinco de Mayo for a delicious Mexican dinner last Sunday night. They also took their four girls to the Halloween Carnival at Torrance Elementary School the night before, where they saw many other Kettlerites.

If I've made any mistakes in names or anything, I hope you will bear with me, because this is all new to me. I'll try to put out a better column every week. So let's not forget those phone calls.

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Prosecutions on Felony Narcotic Charges Increase

A sharp increase in the number of felony narcotic prosecutions is shown in figures for the first six months of 1953, released recently by District Attorney S. Ernest Roll.

Seven hundred and sixty-nine cases were prosecuted from January 2 to June 30, representing a gain of 180 cases over the same period in 1952.

Stricter enforcement of narcotic laws and intensive efforts on the part of narcotic enforcement agents are responsible for the increase in prosecutions, according to District Attorney Roll, who said that the fight against the drug evil would continue to be intensified.

A break-down of the statistical report shows that there were 350 possession marijuana cases prosecuted, as compared to 321 for the same period in 1952. Cases in which there were sales of marijuana rose from 14 to 28. There were 338 cases involving possession of heroin, opiates, cocaine and other narcotics, including marijuana as compared to 228 for the same period in 1952. Prosecutions for the sale of these same drugs climbed from 26 to 53 cases in 1953.

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